

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The vertical-axis drive wheel of ~~fixed-a~~ fixed single carrying-hauling rope chair ~~lifts~~ lift is conventionally rotatably driven ~~in-rotation~~ by a ring and pinion transmission system enabling ~~a-rotational~~ rotational movement originating from a geared motor arranged horizontally on a raised platform of the terminal to be transmitted at right angles. Implementation of such a kinematic transmission system is complicated and ~~requires~~ occupies a large longitudinal space ~~occupation~~ in the terminal. The diversity of the sub-assemblies and the equipment assembly and adjustment time increase the number of operating personnel required and the cost ~~price~~ of these known installations.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In figures 1 to 4, an overhead carrying-hauling rope 10 of a chair lift runs round a vertical-axis bull-wheel 12 housed in an end station or terminal 14. The rope 10 extends in an endless loop along an up-line and a down-line, and ~~the chairs, one 16 whereof~~ chairs 16, one of which is represented in figure 2, are hooked onto the rope 10 at regular intervals by fixed securing grips 18.

Please replace the Abstract with the attached amended Abstract.